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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated May 22, 2003, Applicants request reconsideration of the patentability of claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 42-43 in view of the following remarks. Applicants acknowledge and appreciate the allowance of claims 9 and 10.

REMARKS

The Official Action dated May 22, 2003 has been carefully considered. Accordingly, it is believed that the following remarks are sufficient to demonstrate the patentability of claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 42-43, and place the present application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 42-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as not being enabled by the instant specification. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the instant specification is enabling for a modified human growth hormone receptor (hGHR) consisting